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NOTES AND NEWS

WE take the two following notes from *Nature* for November 7: "The Huxley memorial medal of the Royal Anthropological Institute was presented to Professor E. B. Tylor, F.R.S., on Tuesday, November 5, in recognition of his distinguished services to anthropology. On October 2 Professor Tylor celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday, and the anniversary was made the occasion of the presentation to him of a volume of essays representative of British anthropology. The current volume of the *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* is dedicated to Professor Tylor; and the presentation of the Huxley memorial medal is another mark of the esteem in which he is held by anthropologists."

"No one more fully understands the danger of indiscriminately using a questionnaire than Dr. J. G. Frazer, who in publishing through the Cambridge University Press his 'Questions on the Customs, Beliefs, and Languages of Savages' is careful to point out the true method of utilizing them. They are intended, not so much to be put directly to the savage, as to indicate to the inquirer in the field those subjects upon which students at home desire information. Leading questions should be avoided, as they tempt the savage to give answers which he thinks will be acceptable. The savage should be encouraged to talk in his usual vague way on the subject under investigation until he has exhausted his information for the time, when a question judiciously asked may jog his memory. Unexpected information casually offered is the most valuable of all, 'first, because not being foreseen by the civilized man it can not have been consciously or unconsciously suggested by him to the savage; second, because it may put an entirely fresh complexion on a whole series of customs and beliefs about which we had fancied that we knew all that was worth knowing.' If used with this much needed caution, this suggestive collection, which is supplementary to the manual issued by the Royal Anthropological Institute, will be of much value to travelers with a taste for investigating the manners and customs of savage or semi-savage races."

THE *Nation* for December 5 writes as follows regarding the present movement in Germany toward some measure of cooperation, in church work and in scientific research, between Catholic and Protestant theologians: "The efforts on the part of prominent Protestant theologians of Germany to come to some kind of understanding with the more independent representatives of Catholic scholarship in the interests of common scientific research and practical church work, are producing a literature of their own. The well-known university address of Professor Adolf Harnack, delivered in Berlin on the last anniversary of the Kaiser's birthday, had this for its theme, and attracted wide attention. Now Professor Tschackert, of the University of Göttingen, has just published a work of one hundred and forty-three pages (Munich: C. H. Beck), entitled 'Modus Vivendi: Grundlinien für das Zusammenleben der Konfessionen im deutschen Reich,' in which he outlines a plan showing why and how the Catholic and the Protestant churches, without in any way sacrificing any fundamental principles, could yet cooperate in most of the departments of church work, such as charity, missions, social problems, and the like. Tschackert is, however, convinced that such an understanding can not be reached with the extremists in either camp."

THE Board of Anthropological Studies at the University of Cambridge recommends the establishment of a diploma in anthropology similar to the one offered at Oxford. The work of three terms, not necessarily consecutive, is to be required from candidates.

PROFESSOR J. G. FRAZER will fill the chair of anthropology recently founded at Liverpool.